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FRIDAY, APRIL, 16, 1909.

The death of a child here through the error of a drug clerk in filling a which can be dismissed and dropped This it undoubtedly was; but mistakes which grow out of criminal carelessless to punish than to preclude the ent to fix the responsibility where it hours were allowed to clause efore the tragedy was brought to the

are two points about this sad tion 1759 of the Code forbids any per-

Lynchburg Bureau.........215 Eighth St. the Council, and the move to unite the

ence committees to come together for By Times-Dispatch Carrier Delivery Scr- the discussion of terms and agreevice in Richmond (and suburbs), Manches- ments. The formal union of these two cities, already so closely joined in ter of the Free Bridge makes it very desirable that this union should come quickly.

AFTER THE MOSQUITO AND THE

The South is throbbing with the fire of a new campaign, not political, eco after city rises the resolute cry that the South, in Charleston, Atlanta and which has had fever troubles in its it is sweeping northward swiftly, picking up recruits everywhere. Sentences ilege of birth, are being passed upor these winged happiness-destroyers a a hundred points.

ing place of the mosquito. Dirt is the breeding place of both mosquito and fly One is the fact that the clerk Therefore the war against these two would otherwise escape them, scatter medicines on prescription of start epidemics. Every health depart ment in the country should pledge it

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well-apring of red-tape difficulties and Only a few wise ones still cling, like traps for the unwary. But now the Mr. Adee, to the humble vehicle that last of them has been safely gotten everybody rode in the middle nineties over; the ordinance committing the and these philosophers reap a rich re city of Richmond to the policy of con- ward from their wise indifference to

Never go to sea in a peach-basket

Ferdinand P. ("Affinity") Earle is not, as some have thought, wholly blind to his obligations to the public He has gone off somewhere and quietly

The delights of spring in Richmond are so unmeasured that no spring poet ever made, not born, can mar them one jot or tittle.

They used to say that a girl was so small you could put her in your hat, but they've quit saying it now. There's "But," said the pe

The siashes which the Senate com-mittee makes in schedules under which nothing at all is imported are always of a very dazzling nature.

And what would he not give to hear once again those dear old Venezuelan words: "Gentlemen, we have with us to-night * * * * Hon. Cipriano * * * * .

For he'sh a jolly good fellow," etc., etc.

Considering the number of war.

Considering the number of women and children participating, we suppose it may be said that the Wednesday Club is giving us a concert of the pow-

Gentlemen of the Senate committee, et us come down to brass tax.

The news that Joseph Cannon, the avuncular one, is going to take up golf will not fall to strike gloom into the hearts of the insurgents. Obviously a man who will thus defy the prejudices of the proletariat must be confiden that he has a reinforced strangle-hold

Mind you, we give no advice at this time and urge no interference with the status quo. But we should feel restatus quo. But we should feel re-creant to our duty if we falled to remark at this time that Richmond is the safest town in the whole world for taking 'em off in.

April has now struck her sunny gait we now look to see her batting

musical community was an auditorium sufficiently large to make it possible for the club to lower test prices without lowering the quality of its work. This most desirable on the size of community was an auditorium sufficiently large to make it possible for the club to lower test prices without lowering the quality of its work. This most desirable on the size of community was an analysis of the community was an auditorium sufficiently large to make it possible for the club to lower test prices without lowering the quality of its work. This most desirable on the size of the Asserting the red blood racing through all his artwelse and blew his lungs full of new, fresh air. It kept his legs flying like a true crowds that have attended the concerning such as a man should have, it which the public of Richmond has for good music, and assures the continua scope of this admirable society.

CONSOLIDATION GETS UNDER WAY. It is a marker for congratuation that the first definite step looking toward the consolidation of Richmond sand Manchester has at last been taken. Unexpected complications, technical phase at least of the desired proposed and more useful scope of this admirable and have a good many of the old safeties by the same testing the problem of the old safeties of the consolidation of Richmond as for the maintenance of the base of educations, technical phase of the consolidation of Richmond sand Manchester has at last been taken. Unexpected complications, technical phase of the consolidation of Richmond sand Manchester has at last been taken. Unexpected complications, technical phase of the desired proposed and more useful the proposed that the consolidation movement from the start. The act of the Assemble and the desired proposed and the reduced prices of the proposed proposed that the desired proposed and the proposed proposed

Borrowed Jingles.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER.

One day a farmer found a bons; he thought at first it was a stone, and threw it at a passing snake ere he discovered his mistake. But when he knew it was a bone and not a diamond or a stone, he took it on a facient sage, who said: "In prehistoric ske, this was the shinbone of a Thordineriomegantosaur - megoplumpermastedon-letheriumsohelpmejohn." The farmer oried: "Dad bing my gyes! Was ever man se wondrous wise? He gazes on the piece of bone that I supposed to be a stone, and, with a confidence sublime he looks across the void of time, and gives this fossil bone a hame, the fragment of some creature's frame! To have such knowledge, sir, as thine, I'd give those fertile farms of mine; "Don't envy me," the sage replied, and shook his weary liead and sighed, "Your life to me seems full and sweet—you always have enough to eat!"—Walt Mason, in Washington Herald.

MERELY JOKING.

"But," said the persistent suiter, "if I were to swear to you that I would go to the ends of the earth for you"—

"First of all," interrupted the Boston beauty, "you would have to prove to me that the earth really has ends, and that, you know, is quite impossible."—The Catholic Standard and Times.

Modern Dress. "Pa-pa-where's the shoe horn, quick!"
"I don't know. What do you want the
shoe horn for?"
"Ma's got stuck half way in her new dreas
and can't set it on or off."—Chicago Record-

Mr. Henpeck: "We're going to remove to the seaside, doctor." Doctor: "But the climate may disagree with your wife." Mr. Henpeck: "It wouldn't dare!"—Phil-adelphia Inquirer.

Must Have Been Bad.

"So, your airship was wrecked in the bliz-zard. I thought you considered it perfect."
"The ship was perfect," replied the in-ventor stifity. "The air was at fault,"— Philadelphia Ledger.

PERTINENT POINTS.

Growth of Population and Exhaustion of Land Make Problem.

The rise in the price of wheat since 1895 led Sir William Crookes so early as 1895 to announce in "The Wheat Problem" the theory that the world is facing a wheat famine through the growth of population and the exhaustion of available wheat lands. Whether or not this gloomy view was justified, J. J. Hill is right in scoring the folly of farmers who exhaust their soil so that it produces but thirteen bushels to the acre when it should yield twenty-five or more.

Before the Crookes prophecy comes true some things must happen. The American crop of 1905-6-7 exceeded that of the corresponding three years in the previous decade by 600,000,000 bushels. A vast new wheat area is being developed in Canada. Argentina and other far corners are more busily sought for wheat than for gold. Permanently higher prices for wheat would set farmers raising it one more in our Eastern States; and the poorer residents of Europe would reduce demand by no longer buying it. High wheat is a calamity, like earthquake and pestilence. Its continuance is made impossible by the poverty of hungry Europe. Of food in some equivalent form the earth is ready to produce many fold its present yield if properly treated.—New York World.

The Courts of Europe or to consider any argument excepting

By La Marquise de Fontenoy.

The Downfall of Stolypin.

TOLYPIN'S reign as premier may be said to have reached its end, and his departure from St. Peterburg on long leave of absence is regarded as preliminary to his dismissal or resignation. This news is confirmed by the bestowal upon him conferred upon him rather than either of the two higher Orders of St. Alex-ander Nevski or of St. Andrew, which would have been more in keeping with his rank as Prime Minister of the vast

ander Newski or of St. Andrew, which would have been more in keeping with his rank as Prime Minister of the vast Russian empire, is construed as an indication that he no longer enjoys either the confidence or the ravor of his sovereign. Further confirmation of this is to be found in the fact that, although he is supposed to be the president of the Council of Ministers and the presiding officer of the cabinet, yet the appointments of the three new ministers—namely, those of General Suchomilionf, or Lökjanoff and fRuciloff—were made by the Emperor without consulting with Stolypin, who knew nothing about their nominations until the official announcement thereof. He was so angry at this treatment that when the new procurator-general of the Holy Synod, whose position in the cabinet is equivalent to that of minister of public worship in other countries, presented himself to pay the regulation visit on accession to office he received his visitor in the most insulting manner—in such a way, indeed, as to render ministerial cooperation between the two as colleagues in the same cabinet a matter of extreme difficulty.

People at court and in St. Petersburg society rejoice over the downfall of Stolypin. For while they all give credit to his unquestioned honesty, and his courage, they bitterly, resent the intolerable arrogance of his Wife, who, especially during the latter portion of her husband's premiership, has assumed airs and graces that have excited the mingled ridicule and indignation of all those with whom she was brought into contact. It is doubtful, however, whether this has weighed very much in the Emperor's decision to get rid of him, the reason for which must be sought in the administrative corruption and dishonesty which has recently been uncerthed, both in St. Petersburg and in Moscow, by personal agents of the Emperor and in the extraordinary police scandals in connection with the agent provocateur, Azef, for all of which Nicholas is disposed to hold his Prime Minister as responsibile.

Recording in these letters last week the death of old Mrs. Edmund Lushington, I happened to mention that Ington, I happened to mention that
she figured in some of the works of
her brother, the famous poet, Alfred
Tennyson. A reader now writes asking me to point out these references
of the bard to his sister. In reply I
may state that the epilogue of Tennyson's "In Memoriam" is an epithalamium on her marriage in 1842; while
her home, Park House, is described in
the prologue to "The Princess."
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f many Democrats in the interests of their districts leads them very close to the pro-

in the light of experience, is that the tariff duties will never be impartially and properly dities will hever be impartually and properly laid until it is laken out of the hands of Congress and committed to a commission, able to cope with the complex question and honest enough to deal with the subject for the best interests of the whole country,—Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch,

Commission Government in Roanoks,

Commission Government in Roanoke.

Commission government for Roanoke is favored by the Citizen's League.

The league has done wisely in this, and also in appointing a committee to investigate whether a commission pian cannot be put into effect in Roanoke without amondment of the State Constitution. The latter has been discussed at some length, the gist of the investigation being that such a plan, in effect, might be brought about by reduction of the number of wards and also reduction of the number of representatives from each ward. Such reduction for Roanoke would certainly tend to simplification, for Roanoke to-day is more beridden with legislators than some of the largest cities of the indeed into two wards, with two Common Councilman and one Alderman from each of these wards, making a board of six members. Whether the Constitution would permit further reduction than this remains for investigation to show.—Roanoke Evening World.

Swanson for Congress.

RECIPE FOR COLDS

Voice of the People

Ronds in Brunswick.

Roads in Brunswick.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

Sir,—I noticed in yesterday's paper an item from the Brunswick Gozette headed, "Brunswick Good Roads." which I hope will convince Mr. Ruffin in that I had no intention of suppressing his contention on the road question. It is true that I am not, as he says he is, in search of light, but still, I am perfectly willing that all should be heard. Mr. Ruffin's argument amounts to this; that if a county can subscribe to a railroad, and after twenty-five or thirty years, pay a part of the principal and all of the interest, he sees no reason why she may not issue bonds to improve her highways with equally good results, perhaps better. Mr. Ruffin seems to have entirely lost sight of the fact that the gist of his argument for the railroad subscription was that, when built, it would thereafter be a source of revenue to the county ad infinitum. But public roads pay no taxes, and the interest on those bonds, combined with a sinking find, would swallow up many a hardly-earned dollar of our rich land-owners with no corresponding benefit that I can see. More than this, unless these roads are maintained in apple-ple order after construction, it is useless to build them. To so maintain the in the soles of many a rich tax-payer's feet long for rest. The ruins of two plank results when he with us now; in some places the expense of maintaining them was so great that it has become necessary to change their location.

Now, just one word to the editor of the Brunswick Gazette, who says: "The Times-Dispatch has published several letters from Dr. Taylor in opposition to good roads, etc." Hardly, at all events I have no recollection of seeing but one letter of mine in this paper on the subject of roads, and that one was not "in opposition to good roads," but to a bond issue; and in it alled attention to what I considered a violation of section 183 of the Constitution of Virginia. As to this being a pauper county, I don't think I called attention were seesed too high in comparison with th

Cochran, April 12.

FOR THE CONSUMER.

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The Dingley bill didn't tax cocoa; neither does the Aldrich bill. No gain.—Baltimore News.

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